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1. At 4 p.m. on 12 January 1954, jeep and 8 to 10 sidecar motorcycles, each mounting 1 machine gun and occupied by officers and EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen on the Bredereiche-Zootzen-Fuerstenberg road. 1 25X1
2. At 10 a.m. on 17 January, 11 T-34/85 tanks, 25X1
5 to 6 SP guns, presumably SU-152 guns,
armored personnel carrier, 10 to 15 trucks occupied by troops and including 25X1
were seen in Schwanebeck, coming from the direction
of Birkholz or Ahrensfelde and proceeding toward Zepernick. 2
3. At about 4:30 p.m. on 18 January, furniture was unloaded from boxcars at the Potsdam-Wildpark railroad station and was trucked to the Kriegsschule on Pappel Allee.
On 19 January, 25X1
about 40 trucks and 12 x 120-mm mortars were seen in the yard of the Kriegsschule. 2
4. At about 7 a.m. on 18 January, 20 trucks, occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and about 20 prime 25X1
movers, towing 20 x 152-mm gun howitzers of model 1937, were seen en route to-
ward Potsdam, coming from the direction of Potsdam-Eiche. At about 8 a.m. on 19
January, 8 Shts-Nati prime movers, and 25X1
towing 6 x 122-mm or 152-mm guns passed over Lange Bruecke, coming from the
direction of Nedlitz and proceeding toward Drewitz or Rehbruecke. After 5 minutes,
the column was followed by 3 prime movers, and tow- 25X1
ing 2 guns of 122 mm or 152 mm and 1 truck trailer occupied by troops wearing
red-bordered black epaulets. At about 3:30 p.m., sedan occupied 25X1
by officers, and 11 trucks and occupied by troops
passed over Lange Bruecke, coming from the direction of Nedlitz and proceeding
toward Michendorf. At about 8:30 a.m. on 20 January, 12 S-65 prime movers, each
towing a 122 mm or 152 mm gun, and 3 prime movers, each towing 1 truck trailer
occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, passed over Lange Bruecke,
coming from the direction of Nedlitz. The prime movers had covered 25X1
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1. Comment. According to motor vehicle the column belonged to the
Second Gds Mecz Army.

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2. Comment. According to motor vehicle and tank [redacted] the tank units belonged to the 93d Tank Regt of the 6th Gds Mecz Div from the restricted area in the west section of the Wuhlgarten Heilanstalt (former insane asylum).
3. Comment. The furniture was shipped away by trucks of the 10th Gds Tank Div. This observation, in connection with the mortars seen, tends to indicate that the 299th Gds Mort Regt of the division from Brandenburg transferred to the Kriegsschule in Potsdam, which, so far, had only partially been occupied. The regiment would thus have followed the 63d Gds Tank Regt of the division which, in late October, transferred from Brandenburg to the Adolf Hitler Kaserne in Potsdam. Pertinent information from Brandenburg has not yet been received.
4. Comment. Although motor vehicle [redacted] are carried with the 10th Gds Tank Div, the artillery columns observed in Potsdam, according to their weapons, belong to the 34th Arty Div (US) and probably transferred by road to firing practices at Jueterbog. [redacted] units of the division had left via the same route already on 14 January.

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